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PIVOTING INSTRUMENT PANEL CENTRAL STACK  
STRUCTURE AND METHOD FOR FLOW-THROUGH INSTRUMENT  
PANEL CONSOLE INTERFACE

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An adjustable instrument panel for a mass assembled vehicle includes a transverse upper support beam which is generally fixed with respect to the vehicle during assembly. A central stack modular structure is pivotably suspended from the upper support beam and adapted to house one or more vehicle options such as a radio, CD, and air conditioning control. The central stack modular structure is combined with a floor console as a unitary structure which has a lower support brace to adjustably connect the unitary structure with respect to the vehicle floor so that the instrument panel can accommodate floor build variations and obtain flow-through with the floor console in vehicles being mass assembled.